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## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

No. DA 09-0312

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff and Appellee,

v.

CODY WILLIAM MARBLE,

Defendant and Appellant.

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## MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT

COMES NOW, Jim Wheelis, Chief Appellate Defender, and respectfully requests an extension of time until November 13, 2009, in which to prepare, file, and serve the Appellant's opening brief in the above-entitled matter. In support of this motion, undersigned counsel respectfully submits the following affidavit.

Respectfully submitted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 2009.

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IIM WHEELIS

Chief Appellate Defender

STATE OF MONTANA ) : ss.

County of Lewis and Clark )

I, Jim Wheelis, being first duly sworn upon my oath, depose and state as follows:

- 1. I am a licensed, practicing attorney in the State of Montana, and am currently employed by the Office of State Public Defender, Appellate Defender Office, as the Chief Appellate Defender.
- 2. In my capacity as Chief Appellate Defender, I have assigned Jennifer Hurley to assist me in the above-entitled matter.
  - 3. The Appellant's opening is presently due on September 14, 2009.
- 4. The undersigned requests an extension until November 13, 2009.

  This is the first request for an extension, but counsel requests 60 days in which to file the opening brief because the legal intern assisting the undersigned with this

file the opening brief because the legal intern assisting the undersigned with this cause will be on maternity leave until October 22, 2009. The undersigned will retire from this office on December 31, 2009, and has eleven cases remaining to brief between now and retirement. All the assistant appellate counsel have been assigned an average of 15 actively briefing cases each. Budget constraints prohibit assigning cases to contract counsel except where a conflict exists and in abuse and neglect matters.

5. I will work diligently to complete the matter in the time requested.

- Opposing counsel has been contacted concerning this motion and does 6. not object.
  - 7. Further your affiant sayeth naught.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this \_\_\_\_\_\_

Sarah J. Braden

## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that I caused a true and accurate copy of the foregoing

Motion for Extension of Time and Affidavit in Support to be mailed to:

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DATED: 9-4-2009 - Lill